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**pa1106: Factoring with box when  $a = \text{prime}$  (v12)**

**Example**

Use the box to factor  $2x^2 - 9x - 18$ .

Guess and check, based on factor pairs of  $-18$ , until you find the pair that results in a linear coefficient of  $-9$  after combining like terms.

*	x	-6
2x	$2x^2$	$-12x$
3	$3x$	-18

$2x^2 - 12x + 3x - 18$

Combine like terms.

$2x^2 - 9x - 18$

ANSWER:  $(2x + 3)(x - 6)$

**Question 1**

Use the box to factor  $5x^2 + 34x + 24$ .

*	x	6
5x	$5x^2$	$30x$
4	$4x$	24

ANSWER:  $(5x + 4)(x + 6)$

### Question 2

Use the box to factor  $7x^2 + 60x - 27$ .

*	x	9
7x	$7x^2$	63x
-3	-3x	-27

ANSWER:  $(7x - 3)(x + 9)$

### Question 3

Use the box to factor  $3x^2 - 13x + 12$ .

*	x	-3
3x	$3x^2$	-9x
-4	-4x	12

ANSWER:  $(3x - 4)(x - 3)$